

## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT**, the Quarterly Session of the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners began and was held in and for the aforementioned State and County on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016 A.D. at 6:30 P.M., at the Jefferson County Courthouse in Dandridge, Tennessee. Present and Presiding were Chairman Jimmy Carmichael; County Clerk Frank Herndon; and the following County Commissioners answering to Roll Call Docket Page 283 to-wit: Katy Huffaker, Todd Kesterson, Steve Douglas, David Gaut, Randy Baxley, Rita Musick, Donnie Tabor, John McGraw, Russell Turner, Tim Seals, Sammy Solomon, Robert Blevins, Ralph "Gene" Eslinger, Randy Bales, John Neal Scarlett, Terry Dockery, Robert Tucker, David Seal, Bob Beeler, and Barbara Sheets. Twenty One (21) members were present.

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jimmy Carmichael. An invocation was given by Chaplain Donnie Tabor, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Jimmy Carmichael.

**REZONING REQUEST:**

Jefferson County Board of Commissioner **Resolution 2016-44**, Rezoning request from A-1 to C-2 for property located on Highway 139, Dandridge, Tennessee, owned by Billy R. & Katheryn Inmon (Parcel 032.08, Tax Map 082). Commissioner Scarlett moved to postpone this action due to a conflict with the state and local rules in which the request needed to be heard 30 days after the Planning Commission by local rule. Commissioner Sheets provided a second, Commissioner Seals abstained and with no objection, the motion to postpone **carried**.

**APPEARANCE OF CITIZENS:**

Max Frye 2<sup>nd</sup> District – Spoke against spot zoning by placing commercial properties in Agriculture/Residential areas.

Clyde W. Worley 2<sup>nd</sup> District – Spoke against the rezoning of the property along Highway 139, and against spot zoning in general.

Arthur Seymour Jr. Knoxville Attorney – Spoke on behalf of the Ratliff family to the beauty of the Jefferson County area and against spot zoning of commercial properties in Residential/Agriculture areas.

**APPROVAL & CORRECTIONS OF THE AGENDA:**

Commissioner Gaut moved to suspend the rules and place a budget amendment for the landfill on the agenda under new business item 3, seconded by Commissioner Tucker, Commissioner McGraw called for the question, and with no objections, the item was placed on the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Commissioner Seals moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Monthly Session, September 19, 2016 as amended, and Beer Board September 19, 2016. Commissioner Scarlett seconded the motion and the minutes were **approved** with no objections.

## **APPROVAL OF NOTARIES & BONDS:**

Commissioner Scarlett moved to approve the list of notaries as presented. Commissioner Turner seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion **carried**, and the below named applicants for Notary Public were **approved** provided the proper bonds or property affidavits are filed in the office of the County Clerk.

Alexander McDougall Taylor	Amanda B Epps	Angela C Ledford	Beth Blazer	Cynthia Prater
Betty Carmichael	Dana L Teele	Earlene Strange	Debra Watts	Jeremy L Gass
Joann J Bitner	Joyce A Eidson	Karen W Wilson	Mary E Hayes	Ola Parton
Kimberly Carmen Crider	Patricia Wilkerson	Shirley R Howard	Patty Winstead	

## **REPORTS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND OTHER OFFICIALS:**

A. County Mayor, Alan Palmieri

Spoke in support of Honorable James Dunn's request to apply for a victim coordinator grant for General Sessions Court.

On a motion from Commissioner Seals, seconded by Commissioner Solomon items A-S were grouped and accepted for the record.

B. Circuit/Sessions Court Clerk, Penny Murphy

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

C. County Clerk, Frank Herndon

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report: Presented and Filed.

D. Highway Superintendent, Charles Tipton

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Work Accomplished Report: Presented and Filed.

E. Register of Deeds, Ed Stiner

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report: Presented and Filed.

F. Sheriff, G.W. "Bud" McCoig

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

G. Trustee, Ginger Franklin

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Summary Report: Presented and Filed.

H. Boys & Girls Clubs of Dumplin Valley CEO Jessica Page

2015-2016 Reach Report & success stories from each clubhouse. Presented

I. Building Inspector, Rob Wilson

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Permit Report, School Facilities Tax Report: Presented and Filed.

J. Chamber of Commerce President & CEO, Darrell Helton

Board Report for September 2016: Presented.

K. Emergency Communications District Executive Director, Justin Crowther

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

L. Emergency Medical Service Director, Brad Phillips

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Statistical Analysis: Presented and Filed.

M. Environmental Services Director, Tom Carter

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

N. Finance Director, Langdon Potts

County & Schools Summary Financial Statements for July 31, 2016 & August 31, 2016: Presented and Filed.

O. Health Department County Director, Sherrie Montgomery

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

P. Humane Society of Jefferson County, President Jeanne Weber Ringe

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Animal Shelter Profit & Loss Report, Intake Statistics: Presented

Q. Library Board Director Michelle Templin

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

R. Veterans Service Officer: Tim Williams

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed.

S. Wheel Tax Compliance Officer, Tim Satterfield

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report: Presented and Filed

T. Finance Director, Langdon Potts

Request from the Honorable James Dunn, Tennessee District Attorney General for the Fourth Judicial District to apply for a victim coordinator grant for General Sessions Court. Director Potts stated that the grant would require a \$3,431 local in kind match and a \$9,569 local financial match for benefits, and the grant is for a term of 30 months. Commissioner Turner made a motion approving the grant application with the funds and terms as specified by Director Potts, Commissioner Seals seconded the motion. Commissioner Tucker offered an amendment that this motion would approve a Resolution that the Mayor will draft to express the Commission's approval of the grant application. Commissioner Turner and Seals consented to the amendment. Commissioner Seal offered an amendment to accept with a sunset of thirty months on the position, again this amendment was accepted by consent of Commissioner Turner and Seals. Commissioner Baxley questioned how the match would be funded and Commissioner Turner stated it would be funded from the fund balance to which Commissioner Seals accepted by consent. After further discussion, Commissioner Solomon called for the question. A Roll Call vote was taken and the motion **carried** 19-2 (in favor: Huffaker, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets).

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS, & COMMISSIONS:

A. Budget Committee Chairman, Commissioner Scarlett – Budget Committee recommendations

1. Budget Amendments

- a) County General Fund 101, Amendment #4, Items #1-6: **Approved** with no objection voiced.
- b) County General Fund 101, Amendment #5, Item #1: **Approved** with a Roll Call vote 21-0 (in favor: all present).
- c) County Sanitation Fund 116, Amendment #2, Item #1: **Approved** with no objection voiced.
- d) County Landfill Fund 207, Amendment #2, Item #1: **Approved** with no objection voiced.
- e) County Highway Fund 131, Amendment #2, Item #1: **Approved** with no objection voiced.
- f) Schools General Purpose Fund 141, Amendment #4, Item #1: **Approved** with no objection voiced.
- g) Schools General Purpose Fund 141, Amendment #5, Items #1-2: Moved to approve by Commissioner Baxley, seconded by Commissioner Tabor, **Approved** on a Roll Call Vote 21-0 (in favor: all present)
- h) Schools Federal Purpose Fund 142, Amendment #4, Items #1-8: **Approved** with no objection voiced.

2. New Hire Request for the landfill Private Enterprise Fund 207 – **Approved** on a Roll Call vote 20-0-1 (in favor: all present except Commissioner Gaut who abstained).

B. Conservation Board Chairman, Commissioner Tucker – No Report.

C. Facilities Committee Chairman, Commissioner Turner

Commissioner Turner moved to suspend the rules to so that the Facilities Committee could present a recommendation that had not gone before the budget committee. Commissioner Huffaker provided a second, and with no objections, the rules were **suspended**.

Commissioner Turner stated that the Facilities Committee recommends spending up to \$1,000,000 to repair and renovate the School Administration Building. Commissioner Scarlett moved to amend the recommendation by striking the entire language of the recommendation and replacing it with the following motion: "I move to reserve the approximate \$450,000 of money that Mr. Potts said was returned from the school system project for use in renovating the old jail/Department of Education building. Knowing that we have to remove the mold, fix the HVAC, hire an engineer and a construction manager/project manager, I also move that these things be given priority to start the process with bids, and all other needs or suggested renovations be bid as alternates for the project." Commissioner McGraw provided a second. Commissioner Seal moved to amend the motion to include that the project would be handled by the facilities committee, the amendment **died** on the floor for a lack of a second. Commissioner Turner amended the motion to add the bid for repointing of brick in the primary bids, Commissioner McGraw provided a second, and with a Roll Call vote 9-12 the amendment **failed** (in favor: Huffaker, McGraw, Turner, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Tucker, Beeler, and Sheets). After further discussion Commissioner Bales called for the question and a Roll Call vote was taken and the motion **carried** 19-2 (in favor: Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Beeler, and Sheets).

D. Nominating Committee recommendation for approval – Chairman Todd Kesterson

1. Animal Control Oversight Board (2 Seats): Jeanne Ringe and Katherine Noyes – Hearing no nominations from the floor, Commissioner McGraw moved that nominations cease seconded by Commissioner Musick, and the committee recommendation was **approved** with no objections voiced.
2. Building Inspection Board of Appeals (2 Seats): Kenny Carr and Tom Lakin – Hearing no nominations from the floor, Commissioner Solomon moved that nominations cease seconded by Commissioner Scarlett, and the committee recommendation was **approved** with no objections voiced.
3. Conservation Board (2 Seats): Charles Crosby and Axel Ringe, Commissioner Seal nominated Mike Maples. Commissioner Tucker nominated Charlotte Kenley. Commissioner Sheets moved that nominations cease, seconded by Commissioner Seals. A Roll Call Vote was taken yielding the following result:

Crosby: 18 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Eslinger, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Ringe: 4 (Seals, Blevins, Bales, Beeler)

Maples: 15 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Solomon, Eslinger, Scarlett, Dockery, Seal, and Sheets)

Kenley: 5 (Blevins, Bales, Scarlett, Tucker, Carmichael)

With this vote, Charles Crosby and Mike Maples were **elected** to the Conservation Board.

4. Facilities Committee (5 Seats): Randy Bales, Terry Dockery, Katy Huffaker, Rita Musick, and Jimmy Carmichael, Commissioner Tucker nominated Russell Turner, David Gaut, and Donnie Tabor. Commissioner Solomon moved that nominations cease, seconded by Commissioner Scarlett. A Roll Call vote was taken yielding the following result:

Bales: 18 (Huffaker, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Dockery: 21 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Huffaker: 13 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Baxley, Musick, Solomon, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Musick: 13 (Kesterson, Douglas, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, Solomon, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Carmichael: 14 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Solomon, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Turner: 8 (Gaut, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Blevins, Eslinger, Tucker)

Gaut: 9 (Kesterson, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Tucker)

Tabor: 9 (Huffaker, Gaut, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Blevins, Eslinger, Tucker)

With this vote Commissioners Bales, Dockery, Huffaker, Musick, and Carmichael were **elected** to the Facilities Committee.

5. Finance Committee (4 Seats): David Seal, John McGraw, Katy Huffaker, and Rita Musick, Commissioner Gaut nominated Robert Tucker. Commissioner Solomon moved to cease nominations, seconded by Commissioner Scarlett. A Roll Call vote was taken yielding the following result:

Seal: 20 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

McGraw: 21 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Huffaker: 15 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Solomon, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Musick: 18 (Huffaker, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Scarlett, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Tucker: 10 (Kesterson, Gaut, Tabor, Turner, Seals, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Dockery, and Tucker)

With this vote Commissioners Seal, McGraw, Huffaker, and Musick were **elected** to the Finance Committee.

6. Personnel Committee (5 Seats): Bob Beeler, Jimmy Carmichael, Rita Musick, Robert Blevins, and Russell Turner, Commissioner Tucker nominated Terry Dockery and John McGraw. Commissioner Solomon moved that nominations cease, seconded by Commissioner Scarlett. Commissioner Blevins withdrew his name from consideration. A Roll Call vote was taken and yielded the following result:

Beeler: 21 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Carmichael: 18 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Musick: 20 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

Blevins: 0 (withdrew)

Turner: 19 (Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Beeler, and Sheets)

Dockery: 7 (Kesterson, McGraw, Turner, Solomon, Blevins, Tucker, and Seal)

McGraw: 20 (Huffaker, Douglas, Gaut, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Seals, Solomon, Blevins, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets)

With this vote Commissioners Beeler, Carmichael, Musick, Turner, and McGraw were **elected** to the Personnel Committee.

7. Public Service Committee (5 Seats): Terry Dockery, David Seal, Jimmy Carmichael, Tim Seals, and Rita Musick. Hearing no further nominations from the floor, Commissioner Solomon moved to cease nominations seconded by Commissioner Seal. The committee recommendation was **approved** with no objection voiced.

#### ITEMS OF INFORMATION FOR COMMISSIONERS

- A. Baneberry VFD – Chief James “Donnie” Williford, September 2016 Activity Report: Presented.
- B. Dandridge VFD – Chief Andrew Riley, September 2016 Activity Report: Presented.
- C. New Market VFD – Chief Frank Solomon, September 2016 Activity Report: Presented.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Commissioner Turner moved that all IDB Agendas and supporting documents be placed on the Jefferson County Website for public access. Commissioner McGraw seconded the motion. After discussion, a Roll Call vote was taken and the motion **carried** 18-3 (in favor: Huffaker, Kesterson, Douglas, Baxley, Musick, Tabor, McGraw, Turner, Solomon, Eslinger, Bales, Scarlett, Dockery, Tucker, Carmichael, Seal, Beeler, and Sheets).
- B. Sheriff McCoig presented his department’s employee handbook with one change to the employee’s work cycle. Commissioner Turner requested that it be **entered** into the minutes that the Sheriff had presented this information.
- C. Commissioner Gaut moved to approve a budget amendment for Solid Waste Disposal Fund 207 Amendment #3 \$80,000 from fund balance for the materials for the completion of the Leachate Line to attempt to get it completed before winter weather sets in. Commissioner Seals seconded the motion. A Roll Call vote was taken and the motion **carried** 20-0-1 (in favor: all present except Commissioner Gaut who abstained).
- D. Commissioner Tucker made a request that the newly seated Public Service Committee take up the noise ordinance issue and dirty lot ordinance issue and report back to Commission. Commissioners Turner and Musick seconded this motion. With no opposition voiced, the motion was **approved**.
- E. Commissioner Blevins commended Road Superintendent Charles Tipton and his department for the recent road work completed in the 6<sup>th</sup> District.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Solomon, seconded by Commissioner Seals. With no further business before the commission, the meeting was **adjourned** at 8:14 PM.